

Village of Sauget

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Sauget / MESD Sauget Pump
Station
Compliance 153-37

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September 29, 1992

The Honorable Walter Greathouse, President
Metro East Sanitary District
1801 Madison Avenue
Granite City, Illinois 62026

Re: "Monsanto" Pump Station

Dear Shang:

We were most pleased to see that in your recent press release you did not refer to your subject pump station as the "Monsanto Pump Station". Of course, it was so named when the Village itself was still the Village of Monsanto and no one considered the impact on Monsanto Chemical Company. Should you and I appoint a small committee to come up with a new name so you can distinguish it from all your other pump stations up and down the River?

Assuming you were properly quoted, I am distressed to read that MESD apparently believes that the subject pump station is no longer needed for flood control purposes. Does that mean you will not repair it and that MESD plans to abandon it?

At this juncture, I am not discussing who is responsible to clean up the allegedly contaminated grit in the subject pump station.

I recognize that our American Bottoms Outfall Pump Station has almost the same capabilities, but point out that it was designed to handle treated effluent and not storm water.

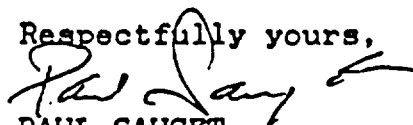
Based on all that I know from 20 plus years as the Mayor of this Village, I am convinced that your subject pump station is still an integral and necessary part of your entire flood control system, particularly for the Village of Sauget.

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I would remind you that the taxpayers in this Village pay a goodly amount of real estate taxes every year to MESD and are entitled to protection.

Respectfully yours,


PAUL SAUGET
Mayor

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